

Customs and Border Protection, Rear Admiral Cari B. Thomas, Director of Response Policy, Coast Guard, and Melissa Smislova, Associate Deputy Under Secretary for Analysis, all of the Department of Homeland Security.

PROHIBITING OBSCENE ANIMAL CRUSH VIDEOS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine prohibiting obscene animal crush videos in the wake of *United States v. Stevens*, after receiving testimony from Nancy Perry, The Humane Society of the United States, Washington, D.C.; and Kevin Volkan, California State University Channel Islands, Camarillo.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Susan L. Carney, of Connecticut, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit, who was introduced by Senator Dodd, Amy Totenberg, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Georgia, who was introduced by Senators Chambliss and Isakson, James Emanuel Boasberg, and Amy Berman

Jackson, both to be United States District Judge for the District of Columbia, who were both introduced by Representative Norton, and James E. Shadid, who was introduced by Representative Schock, and Sue E. Myerscough, both to be United States District Judge for the Central District of Illinois, who were both introduced by Senator Durbin.

IMPEACHMENT TRIAL: PORTEOUS

Impeachment Trial Committee (Porteous): Committee continued open and closed hearings to examine the Articles Against Judge G. Thomas Porteous, Jr., after receiving testimony from DeWayne Horner, Special Agent, and Bobby Hamil, former Agent, both of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice; Duncan W. Keir, Chief Judge, United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Maryland; Charles Gardener Gay, Indiana University Maurer School of Law, Bloomington; Rhonda Danos, Marrero, Louisiana; Claude Lightfoot, Jr., New Orleans, Louisiana; and Timothy A. Porteous, Kenner, Louisiana.

Committee will meet again on Thursday, September 16.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 18 public bills, H.R. 6126–6143; and 8 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 317; and H. Res. 1619, 1621–1626 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H. Res. 1620, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4785) to amend the miscellaneous rural development provisions of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to make loans to certain entities that will use the funds to make loans to consumers to implement energy efficiency measures involving structural improvements and investments in cost-effective, commercial off-the-shelf technologies to reduce home energy use (H. Rept. 111–594).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Yarmuth to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest chaplain, Reverend Roderick Pearson, St. Mark Remnant Ministries, Central Islip, New York.

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Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Congressional Made in America Promise Act: H.R. 2039, amended, to clarify the applicability of the Buy American Act to products purchased for the use of the legislative branch and to prohibit the application of any of the exceptions to the requirements of such Act to products bearing a Congressional seal, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 371 yeas to 36 nays, Roll No. 521;

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Berry Amendment Extension Act: H.R. 3116, amended, to prohibit the Department of Homeland Security from procuring certain items directly related to the national security unless the items are grown, reprocessed, reused, or produced in the United States;

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First Responder Anti-Terrorism Training Resources Act: Concurred in the Senate amendments to H.R. 3978, to amend the Homeland Security Act of